

Oct. 21, 1976, see section 701 of Pub. L. 94-579, set out as a note under section 1701 of this title.

**§ 687c. Alaskan land leases for fur farming; citizenship; acreage limitation; period; terms and conditions; laws applicable to mineral resources; reservations**

The Secretary of the Interior, in order to encourage and promote development of production of furs in the Territory of Alaska, is authorized to lease to corporations organized under the laws of the United States, or of any state or Territory thereof, citizens of the United States, or associations of such citizens, public lands of the United States in the Territory of Alaska suitable for fur farming, in areas not exceeding six hundred and forty acres, and for periods not exceeding ten years, upon such terms and conditions as he may by general regulations prescribe: *Provided*, That where leases are given hereunder for islands or lands within the same, such lease may, in the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, be for an area not to exceed thirty square miles: *Provided further*, That nothing herein contained shall prevent the prospecting, locating, development, entering, leasing, or patenting of the mineral resources of any lands so leased under laws applicable thereto: *And provided further*, That this section shall not be held nor construed to apply to the Pribilof Islands, declared a special reservation by section 646<sup>1</sup> of title 16: *And provided further*, That any permit or lease issued under this section shall reserve to the Secretary of the Interior the right to permit the use and occupation of parts of said leased areas for the taking, preparing, manufacturing, or storing of fish or fish products, or the utilization of the lands for purposes of trade or business, to the extent and in the manner provided by existing laws or laws which may be enacted after July 3, 1926.

(July 3, 1926, ch. 745, § 1, 44 Stat. 821.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 646 of title 16, referred to in text, was repealed by act Feb. 26, 1944, ch. 65, § 18, 58 Stat. 104. See sections 1161, 1162, and 1167 of Title 16, Conservation.

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 360 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

ADMISSION OF ALASKA AS STATE

Admission of Alaska into the Union was accomplished Jan. 3, 1959, on issuance of Proc. No. 3269, Jan. 3, 1959, 24 F.R. 81, 73 Stat. c16, as required by sections 1 and 8(c) of Pub. L. 85-508, July 7, 1958, 72 Stat. 339, set out as notes preceding section 21 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 687c-1 of this title.

**§ 687c-1. Execution of provisions of section 687c; authority of Secretary of the Interior**

The Secretary of the Interior is authorized to perform any and all acts, and to make such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper,

<sup>1</sup> See References in Text note below.

for the purpose of carrying the provisions of section 687c of this title into effect, including provisions for the forfeiture of any lease for failure to stock the same with fur-bearing animals within a period of one year from the date of the lease, or in the event of the devotion of the lease area primarily to any purpose other than the rearing of such fur-bearing animals.

(July 3, 1926, ch. 745, § 2, 44 Stat. 822.)

CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 361 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

**§§ 688 to 700. Repealed. Pub. L. 94-579, title VII, § 703(a), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2789**

Section 688, R.S. § 2361; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, authorized issuance of multiple certificates in cases of two or more purchasers of same section of land.

Section 689, R.S. § 2362, authorized refund of purchase money by the Secretary of the Interior.

Section 690, R.S. § 2363, related to sources of funds for repayment.

Section 691, R.S. § 2368, authorized purchase of lands located in good faith by claims arising under treaty of Sept. 30, 1854.

Section 692, R.S. § 2366, authorized receipt of foreign coins in payment for purchases.

Section 693, R.S. § 2369; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, related to mistakes in entry of public lands purchased at private sale.

Section 694, R.S. § 2370; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, related to mistakes in issuance of patents for lands.

Section 695, R.S. § 2371, related to applicability of sections 693 and 694 of this title for mistakes in location of warrants.

Section 696, R.S. § 2374, prohibited agreements to pay premiums to purchasers of public lands.

Section 697, R.S. § 2372; acts Feb. 24, 1909, ch. 181, 35 Stat. 645; Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, § 1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; May 21, 1926, ch. 353, 44 Stat. 591; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, § 403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, related to errors in entry, selection or location of public lands.

Section 698, R.S. § 2375, authorized recovery of premiums paid under section 696 of this title.

Section 699, R.S. § 2376, authorized discovery of agreements authorizing payments under section 696 of this title.

Section 700, act Mar. 2, 1889, ch. 381, § 1, 25 Stat. 854, authorized private entry onto public lands of United States only in Missouri.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL

Section 703(a) of Pub. L. 94-579 provided that the repeal made by that section is effective on and after Oct. 21, 1976.

SAVINGS PROVISION

Repeal by Pub. L. 94-579 not to be construed as terminating any valid lease, permit, patent, etc., existing on Oct. 21, 1976, see section 701 of Pub. L. 94-579, set out as a note under section 1701 of this title.

**CHAPTER 17—RESERVATION AND SALE OF TOWN SITES ON PUBLIC LANDS**

Sec.

711 to 736. Repealed.

737. Unrestricted deeds for townsite lands held by Alaska natives.

738. Repealed.

**§§ 711 to 715. Repealed. Pub. L. 94-579, title VII, § 703(a), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2789**

Section 711, R.S. §2380, authorized reservation of town sites by President.

Section 712, R.S. §2381; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, §1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, §403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, authorized reserved lands to be surveyed in urban and suburban lots and their appraisalment and sale.

Section 713, R.S. §2382; acts Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, §1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, §403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100; Aug. 24, 1954, ch. 904, §1, 68 Stat. 792, related to procedure for establishment of town or city sites.

Section 714, R.S. §2383, authorized extension of limits of towns established on unsurveyed lands.

Section 715, R.S. §2384; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, §403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, authorized Secretary of the Interior to survey and plat cities or towns on the public domain where interested parties fail to file transcript maps in twelve months after establishment.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL**

Section 703(a) of Pub. L. 94-579 provided that the repeal made by that section is effective on and after Oct. 21, 1976.

**SAVINGS PROVISION**

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**§ 716. Repealed. Aug. 24, 1954, ch. 904, § 2, 68 Stat. 792**

Section, R.S. §2385, related to size of lots or plat varying from general rule.

**§§ 717 to 728. Repealed. Pub. L. 94-579, title VII, § 703(a), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2789**

Section 717, R.S. §2386, related to title to town lots subject to mineral rights.

Section 718, R.S. §2387; acts Mar. 3, 1891, ch. 561, §4, 26 Stat. 1097, authorized entry by town authorities of town sites in trust for occupants, under such regulations as may be prescribed by legislative authority of State or Territory in which the same may be situated.

Section 719, R.S. §2388; acts Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1144; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, §403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, related to procedure for entry by town authorities of town sites in trust for occupants.

Section 720, R.S. §2389, authorized entry by town authorities of town sites in proportion to number of inhabitants.

Section 721, R.S. §2391, made void acts of trustees not in conformity to regulations alluded to in section 718 of this title.

Section 722, R.S. §2392, provided that no title was to be acquired under sections 711 to 715 and 717 to 721 of this title to any mine of gold, silver, cinnabar, or copper or to any valid mining claim or possession held under existing laws.

Section 723, R.S. §2393, provided that provisions of sections 711 to 715 and 717 to 724 of this title were not to apply to military reservations or to other reservations made by the United States prior to Mar. 2, 1867, nor to reservations for lighthouses, customhouses, mints, or other public purposes, whether held under reservation through the Land Office by title derived from the Crown of Spain or otherwise.

Section 724, R.S. §2394, authorized inhabitants of any town on public land to avail themselves of provisions of sections 718 to 720 of this title and required that they

pay, in addition to minimum price of lands so entered, all costs of surveying and platting.

Section 725, act Mar. 3, 1877, ch. 113, §1, 19 Stat. 392, related to requirements as to quantity of land excluded from homestead entry in towns upon the public lands of the United States.

Section 726, acts Mar. 3, 1877, ch. 113, §3, 19 Stat. 392; Oct. 28, 1921, ch. 114, §1, 42 Stat. 208; Mar. 3, 1925, ch. 462, 43 Stat. 1145; 1946 Reorg. Plan No. 3, §403, eff. July 16, 1946, 11 F.R. 7876, 60 Stat. 1100, authorized settlement of excess lands where a town-site exceeds maximum limits.

Section 727, act Mar. 3, 1877, ch. 113, §4, 19 Stat. 392, authorized additional entries by town authorities in cases where a town site is less than maximum authorized size.

Section 728, act Mar. 3, 1891, ch. 561, §16, 26 Stat. 1101, related to town-site entries by incorporated towns and cities on the mineral lands of United States.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL**

Section 703(a) of Pub. L. 94-579 provided that the repeal made by that section is effective on and after Oct. 21, 1976.

**SAVINGS PROVISION**

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**§ 729. Repealed. June 14, 1926, ch. 578, § 5, as added June 4, 1954, ch. 263, 68 Stat. 175**

Section, act Sept. 30, 1890, ch. 1121, 26 Stat. 502, authorized, with limitations, the sale of unreserved public lands to incorporated cities and towns for cemetery and park purposes. See section 869 et seq. of this title.

Act Oct. 17, 1940, ch. 890, §2, 54 Stat. 1192, formerly set out as a note under this section, declared this section to be inapplicable to the Territory of Alaska, and was repealed by act June 14, 1926, ch. 578, §5, as added by act June 4, 1954, ch. 263, 68 Stat. 175. See section 869 et seq. of this title.

**§§ 730 to 736. Repealed. Pub. L. 94-579, title VII, § 703(a), Oct. 21, 1976, 90 Stat. 2789**

Section 730, act July 9, 1914, ch. 138, 38 Stat. 454, provided for issuance of patents to transferees of town lots purchased at public sale and transferred prior to October 11, 1911, where patent had not been issued to original purchaser who had since died.

Section 731, act Feb. 9, 1903, ch. 531, 32 Stat. 820, extended town-site laws to ceded Indian lands in the State of Minnesota.

Section 732, act Mar. 3, 1891, ch. 561, §11, 26 Stat. 1099, related to town-site entries in Alaska. Section was formerly classified to section 355 of Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

Section 733, act May 25, 1926, ch. 379, §1, 44 Stat. 629, related to Indian or Eskimo lands in Alaska set aside on survey of town site. Section was formerly classified to section 355a of Title 48.

Section 734, act May 25, 1926, ch. 379, §2, 44 Stat. 630, related to extension of streets or alleys across Indian or Eskimo land in Alaska. Section was formerly classified to section 355b of Title 48.

Section 735, act May 25, 1926, ch. 379, §3, 44 Stat. 630, related to a survey of nonmineral public lands in Alaska into lots and blocks. Section was formerly classified to section 355c of Title 48.

Section 736, act May 25, 1926, ch. 379, §4, 44 Stat. 630, related to authority of Secretary to prescribe regulations for sections 733 to 735 of this title. Section was formerly classified to section 355d of Title 48.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF REPEAL**

Section 703(a) of Pub. L. 94-579 provided that the repeal made by that section is effective on and after Oct. 21, 1976.